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OUTLINES.

Foreign ministers in Pekin have reached an agreement. —— The new revenue tax bill, it is estimated, will make a reduction of $40,000,000. —— Ship Subsidy bill discussed in the Senate. —— Army Reorganization bill considered in the House. —— Sixteen Filipinos killed in a fight with Americans. — Estimates for expenses of the government for the coming year aggregate $626,741,762. —— More than a dozen schooners wrecked on the New England coast. —— Five men killed in a wreck on the Grand Trunk railway. —— New York markets yesterday: Money on call steady at 4@5 per cent., the last loan being at 4 per cent.; cotton dull, middling uplands 10 3-16c; flour very firm; wheat—spot firm, No. 2 red 79½c; corn—spot firm, No. 2, 46½c; oats—spot steady; No. 2, 26½c; rosin steady; spirits turpentine quiet at 42@42½c.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., Dec. 5.

Temperatures: 8 A. M., 42 degrees; 8 P. M., 45 degrees; maximum, 54 degrees; minimum, 42 degrees; mean, 48 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, —; rainfall since 1st of the month up to date, 1 64.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.—For North Carolina—Fair Thursday and Friday; fresh west to north winds.

Port Almanac---December 6.

Sun Rises	6.56 A. M.
Sun Sets	4.46 P. M.
Day's Length	9 H. 50 M.
High Water at Southport	7.29 A. M.
High Water Wilmington	9 59 A. M.

Senator Morgan has been unanimously elected for the fifth time to the U. S. Senate. He is so accustomed to being elected that he doesn't mind it.

There is a movement to erect a monument to Philip Genter, the man who discovered coal at Mauch Chunk, Pa., 109 years ago. It onght to be a chunk of coal.

Now the scientists say that the Gulf stream theory as a disseminator of warmth is a myth. We always thought so. What's the use of all these ocean rivers, anyhow?

The faculty of the Northern Indiana Normal School are not Quakers, but they have drawn the line on foot ball, and positively forbid any of its 3,000 students to engage in it.

Some time ago it was stated that the Prince of Wales had become reconciled with Tod Sloan, with whom he had a stiff, but Tod hasn't become reconciled with the Prince of Wales and declares he will never ride for him any more.

The people of Porto Rico have got the art of living cheap down fine. According to special agent Saylor, over half of them live on less than five cents a day, and a large number on less than three cents. But they don't do much living.

It is cabled that the Sultan of Turkey has fixed up that little $90,000 claim by ordering a cruiser built by the Cramps at a price to include that $90,000. That's what might be called "a new way of paying old debts" with the Sultan in the leading role.

New Yorkers consumed 750,000 turkeys Thanksgiving day, and a doctor who is not overrun with patients has figured out that if all these were built up into one turkey he would be larger than the Waldorf-Astoria hotel. And if it could gobble what a gobble that would be.

Whether Russell Harrison was bounced or not from that soft snap he had to spite his father, it is pretty safe to venture the opinion that if his pa had orated some for Mr. McKinley in the last campaign Russell would not have been bounced or retired until another soft snap had been provided for him.

The three most industrious members of the United States Senate are Allison, Cockrell and Morgan. They are all over 70 years of age. It is said that any one of them can do more work than any two of the younger Senators. But they are poor men and contracted the habit of hustling before they went to the Senate.

Young Mr. Phillips, who began his corn corner in Chicago Oct. 27th and closed it up a few days ago, shook a profit of $400,000 out of his cornucopia. He "blushed like a girl" when his friends congratulated him. It would not be surprising that a fellow who makes such a scoop at such innocent little games as that, would blush like two girls.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Mr. N. H. Carter, of Wallace, was here yesterday.

— Mr. Jas. P. Stowe, of Charlotte, is at The Orton.

— Mr. W. R. Newbury of Magnolia, was here yesterday.

— Mr. Burruss Corprew arrived last night from Norfolk.

— Mr. Parker Lewis arrived last night from New York.

— Mr. B. O. Stone returned yesterday from a business trip.

— Mr. J. W. Henry, of Pecan, N. C., is here on a business trip.

— Capt. J. J. Adkins, of Southport spent last night in the city.

— Mr. E. P. Gatling, of Hallsboro, N. C., is here on a business trip.

— Mr. George E. Brooks, of Seaside, Brunswick county, was here yesterday on a business trip.

— President Thomas Wilson, of the Wilson and Summerton railroad, was in the city yesterday.

— Mr. James E. Holton has accepted a position as salesman with Messrs. Kerchner & Harriss.

— Messrs. J. A. Brown, of Chadbourn, and J. D. Maultsby, of Whiteville, were arrivals at The Orton yesterday.

— Mr. George G. French, a well known fancy grocer of Lumberton, N. C., made a business trip to the city yesterday.

— Deputy Clerk E. L. Larkins and Register of Deeds D. M. Stringfield, of Pender county, were here yesterday.

— Dr. J. N. Johnson returned to the city last evening from a professional trip up the Wilmington and Weldon railroad.

— The friends of Miss Gertrude Wessell will regret to know that she is seriously sick at the home of her father, Mr. A. D. Wessell.

— Mr. Jos. E. Johnson, one of the clever operators at the Western Union Telegraph office, left yesterday for Kenansville to attend court.

— Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Beery left yesterday afternoon for Newbern to attend the annual conference as delegates from Market Street M. E. Church.

— Mrs. John Bridgers and daughter, Miss Reba Bridgers, of Tarboro, returned home yesterday, after a visit to the family of Capt. Haywood Clark.

— Rev. C. W. Smith, of Carver's Creek circuit, and Rev. Mr. Marlow, of the Brunswick circuit, were here yesterday on their way to the N. C. Conference at Newbern.

— Mr. Henry Pannil, the well known roof paint man, has moved his family to the city and will become a resident of Wilmington. They will reside at No. 514 Dock street.

— Mr. David Mitchell, of New York, who has been spending a while in the city with relatives en route to Arizona for his health, left yesterday afternoon via the Seaboard Air Line

— Capt. A. Nielson, of Frying Pan lightship No. 1, was here yesterday, returning from a month's leave of absence spent at Charleston. He went down to Southport last night on the tug *Jones*.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Elks—Meeting to-night.
John H. Kuck—Notice.
Kerchner & Harriss—Oranges.
Notice—Informal social reception.

Under Peace Warrant.

T. F. Bell, former keeper of Oak Grove cemetery, was tried yesterday by Justice McGowan on the charge of disorderly conduct and also on a peace warrant sworn out by T. A. Price. For the first named charge the defendant was let off upon payment of costs, but on the peace warrant he was required to give a bond of $25, which he was unable to do and was committed to jail. The case against Price for disorderly conduct was dismissed.

A Church Reception.

An informal social reception complimentary to Rev. and Mrs. John W. Paxton and Dr. and Mrs. George C. Worth will be given Friday evening in the parlors of the First Presbyterian Church at 8 o'clock. Every member of the congregation and all strangers attending the church are cordially invited to be present. The affair is being arranged under the special direction of the ladies of the congregation.

Another Cargo of Fruit.

The American schooner *J. R. Bodwell*, 174 tons, Capt. Quinlan, arrived yesterday afternoon from Baracoa with a cargo of tropical fruits consisting principally of oranges. She is consigned to Messrs. George Harriss Son & Co., and will make the third vessel now in port discharging a similar cargo.

Cargo of Cotton.

The British steamship *Wandby*, Captain Pearson, cleared yesterday with a cargo of cotton for Bremen. The cargo consists of 14,596 bales, valued at $743,000 and is consigned by Messrs. Alexander Sprunt & Son. She expected to leave early this morning for Southport and out to sea

Call to Dr. Voigt,

Rev. A. G. Voigt, D. D., pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran church, has recently received a call to a very influential church at Staunton, Va., but the STAR learns that he will not accept. He is very much loved by his congregation here and every inducement will be made to get him to remain.

ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Eastern North Carolina Methodists in Session This Week at Newbern.

DR. KILGO IS ENDORSED.

President of Trinity College and His Co-dependants in Cattis Suit Are Subjects of Commendatory Resolutions—Large Attendance.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

NEWBERN, N. C., Dec. 5.—The Sixty-fourth session of the North Carolina Conference of the Methodost Episcopal Church South, met in Centenary church this morning. Bishop H. C. Morrison conducted the opening service. He is presiding over the conference with grace and dispatching business rapidly. The time for the daily meetings was fixed at 9:30 A. M., and adjournment at 1:30 P. M.

Interesting and eloquent addresses were made by Drs. Thos. H. Law, agent of the American Bible Society, W. F. Tillett, Dean of Vanderbilt University, and E. Thompson, representing the American Sunday League. Reference by Dr. Tillett to the influence of his sainted father brought tears to the eyes of many, who had known him. Henry Spence, of the Nashville Publishing House, and Dr. Brooks, of the Western N. C. Conference were also introduced. The report from the book agents showed increasing profits, and that all publications except the *Review*, and *Era* are self sustaining.

Dr. Kilgo reported for the trustees of Trinity College, which report showed it's endowment to be over three hundred thousand dollars, and total property value over seven hundred thousand dollars. About two hundred students are enrolled.

The following resolution was introduced by Dr. Yates and unanimously passed by a rising vote:

WHEREAS, certain events having recently transpired touching the moral integrity of Dr. J. C. Kilgo, president of Trinity College, W. R. Odell, member of the M. E. Church South in Concord, N. C, and B. N. Duke, of Main Street Methodist Church, Durham, N. C., therefore,

Resolved, That this conference has unabated confidence in said J. C. Kilgo, W. R. Odell and B. N. Duke, and assure these brethern that it shall be the pleasure and faith of this conference to aid them in overcoming in the name of our Lord, the efforts being made to destroy our college, and to damage the influence of the Methodist church in North Carolina.

Resolved, That in our judgment the church will be more united than ever in her prayer, help and purpose to sustain the college with its able president and faculty, and we hereby offer to the Messrs. Dukes, the most generous benefactors of the college, our sincere thanks for their support of the institution.

[Signed] E. A. YATES,
J. B. HUSLEY.

Rev. J. M. Rhodes, president of Littleton Female College, reported fine progress for that excellent institution. Sixty-five rooms have been added the past year. There are one hundred and sixty-three students.

Newbern is a pleasant and interesting old town, and her people have given the conference a most hearty welcome. The preachers have come up with good reports, as shown by the presiding elders' verbal statements, and Methodism is very much alive just here and now. The resident pastor, Rev. R. B. John, seems at his best as host.

Miss Mamie Bays is reporting the proceedings for the *Journal* and *Observer*.

Dr. Tillett preached to-night.

MARRIED YESTERDAY MORNING.

Miss Minnie F. Cain and Mr. Elbert Z. Milton United in Matrimony.

At 8.30 o'clock yesterday morning, at the residence of the bride's mother, Mrs. Margaret J. Cain, No. 415 South Front street, was solemnized the marriage of Miss Minnie Florence Cain and Mr. Elbert Z. Milton, both popular young people of Wilmington. The wedding was very quiet on account of the recent death of the bride's father.

The parlor and halls were tastily decorated with cut flowers, potted plants and evergreens. The ceremony was impressively performed by Rev. C. S. Blackwell, D. D., assisted by Rev. R. H. Herring. The attendants were Mr. R. M. Cain, brother of the bride, with Miss Cattie Everett, of Fayetteville, and Mr. John J. Windley with Miss Emma Cook. There were many beautiful and useful bridal presents.

The bride and groom left on the morning A. C. L. train for Raleigh, to attend the Baptist State Convention.

The bride is a charming young lady and Mr. Milton is a clever salesman at the Racket Store.

New Banks.

A new bank has been opened at Red Springs, N. C., with a capital of $15,000. W. H. McDonald, of Enfield, is president and R. L. Green, of Rocky Mount, cashier. The National Bank of Fayetteville has also asked for a charter. The directors are W. J. Edwards, of Sanford; H. E. Clements, W. H. Britton, T. B. Upchurch, J. W. McLauchlin and W. H. Sikes.

Congressional Contests.

It is stated upon good authority in Washington that John E. Fowler will contest the seat in Congress of Hon. C. R. Thomas in the First district. Martin, it is said, will probably contest Claude Kitchin's seat in the Second, and Joyce W. H. Kitchin's seat in the Fifth.

LOCAL DOTS.

— The tug *Buck* is laid up for repairs to a broken propeller crank.

— The British steamship *Polana*, hence for Liverpool, arrived out yesterday.

— The schooner *C. C. Lister* passed out at Southport at 9 A. M. yesterday.

— Lettuce shipments are not so heavy just now on account of unsatisfactory prices.

— The regular monthly meeting of the North Carolina Sorosis will be held this afternoon at 4 o'clock.

— The usual monthly meeting of the Chamber of Commerce will be held this afternoon at 3.30 o'clock.

— A new post office has been established at Hollow, Brunswick county, with John B. O. Gore as postmaster.

— The Masonic Temple will soon be fitted with fire-escapes similar to those constructed at the city public school buildings.

— "Other People's Money" will be the next attraction at the Opera House and will be presented on Saturday night week by Hennesy Leroyd and his company.

— A game of basket ball will be played about New Year's day between the business men's gymnasium class and the night school at the Y. M. C. A. Both teams are practising hard.

— Rev. A. D. McClure will conduct the prayer meeting service at the First Baptist Church to-night in the absence of Rev. Dr. Calvin S. Blackwell, who is attending the Baptist State Convention at Raleigh.

— Mr. Jno. H. Kuck, during his travels in Europe the past Summer, purchased a large supply of the famous Rhine wines, which he offers to his trade at very reasonable rates in an advertisement in this morning's paper.

A SCHOONER IN DISTRESS.

The Oliver S. Barrett, Bound from Baltimore to Jacksonville, Encountered Heavy Gale Off Hatteras.

The American schooner *Oliver S. Barrett*, 651 tons, Capt. Gould, bound from Baltimore to Jacksonville, Fla., put in at Southport at 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon in distress.

The *Barrett* is a Bath, Me., schooner and is laden with railroad iron and coal. She encountered a gale off Hatteras Sunday, November 25th, when she was only three days out and had experienced very rough weather until she arrived for harbor yesterday. Her mizzenmast, maimast, sails and four chain plates are gone and there is other slight damage.

Capt. Gould said his experience was trying, and with the cargo he had on board he did not know what minute he would lose his vessel. Tuesday he anchored off the bar at Southport and the tug *Alexander Jones* went out to him, but on account of the heavy seas the tug was unable to do anything for the distressed schooner. The *Jones* went out yesterday, however, and brought her to a safe anchorage.

This morning Messrs. Thos. Evans, W. N. Harriss and Col. John W. Atkinson, comprising a board of survey, will go down to Southport on the steamer *Wilmington* and determine what disposition to make of the disabled vessel. It is very probable that she will tow to her destination and repair after discharging.

MARRIED AT SOUTHPORT.

Popular Young Couple Wedded in Trinity M. E. Church Yesterday Afternoon.

Miss Josephine Pepper, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Pepper, of Southport, and Mr. M. Victor Martin, of Mullins, S. C., were happily married at 1:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon in Trinity Methodist Church, Southport, in the presence of a large assemblage of relatives and friends of the contracting parties. The church was prettily decorated in palms and white and pink chrysanthemums. The ceremony was performed by Rev. R. W. Bailey.

The bride, who was attired in a stylish gown of blue broadcloth and carried a bouquet of bride's roses, was given away by her brother, Mr. E. L. Pepper. The groom entered with his brother, Mr. M. Clyde Martin, of Mullins, S. C., who was best man.

The other attendants were Miss Mary Pepper, sister of the bride, maid of honor; Miss Lillie May Drew with Mr. Fred R. Mintz; Miss Louise Haskett with Mr. C. Ed Taylor; Miss Mabel Price with Mr. Norcum Sweeney, of Wilmington. The following were ushers: Messrs. Carl R. Pepper and Hoyle Dosher. The music was rendered by Mrs. S. W. Watts.

After receiving congratulations and best wishes of many friends, the bride and groom, accompanied by the bridal party, came up to the city on the steamer *Wilmington* and are stopping at The Orton until this afternoon, when Mr. and Mrs. Martin will leave over the W., C. and A. road for Mullins, their future home. The bride is one of Southport's fairest and most popular young ladies and the groom is a prominent young business man.

Wilmington Light Infantry.

The regular monthly meeting of the Wilmington Light Infantry will be held Monday night, at which time all the civil officers will be elected. The present officers of the company are: Mr. Geo. P. James, president; Mr. N. E. Gillican, vice president; Mr. Thos. H. Wright, secretary and treasurer; armory and finance committee, Lieut. C. S. Grainger, Lieut. N. E. Gillican and Mr. E. H. Willard.

HOSPITAL BOARD MEETING.

Contracts for Furnishing Supplies Awarded Under Bonds—Monthly Report of Dr. W. W. Lane, Superintendent.

The Hospital Board met yesterday afternoon at the court house. Present were Mr. D. McEachern (chairman), Commissioners Holmes, Montgomery, Alderman Spencer and Dr. W. W. Lane.

The principal business transacted by the board was considering bids for furnishing hospital supplies and the following were accepted and bonds named:

Groceries—Holmes Grocery Company; $500 bond.
Drugs—R. R. Bellamy; $500 bond.
Bread—Warren's bakery; no bond required.
Wood—H. R. Savage; $100 bond.
Coal—J. A. Springer & Company; $100 bond.
Meats—I. B. Rhodes; $150 bond.
Milk—L. Y. Stein; $150 bond.

No ice contract has been awarded yet.

Dr. Lane, the superintendent, submitted the following hospital report for the month of November, and it was approved:

White patients treated during the month 27, colored 15; patients remaining October 31st, 15; patients discharged during November, 25; patients died during November, 3; patients remaining November 30th, 14.

Total number of day pay patients treated, 50; charity patients, 469; treatment furnished, 519. Rations furnished pay patients, 50; charity patients, 469; employes, 405. Average cost per capita per day, 14 cents.

Expenditures—General expenses, $133.38; pay roll $191.50.

Receipts—Prescriptions, $35.55; pay patients, $88.10; city, $166.66; county, $250; total, $540.31.

TAKING A POLICE CENSUS.

Enumerators Are Making a Canvass to Actually Determine Wilmington's Population.

There has been such general dissatisfaction in Wilmington at the result of the present census that a police census is now being taken to ascertain the exact population of the city; for almost everybody is willing to contend that the Census Bureau has announced its calculations from imperfect returns in some of the wards in Wilmington.

A detailed statement of the census for this year, with conclusions drawn from a comparison of the returns for the past thirty years, was given in a recent issue of the STAR, and it is unnecessary to recite again the necessity for the police census now being taken.

The work is being done under supervision of the police committee and will likely be finished in ten or fifteen days. The city has been divided into five districts and a man placed in charge of the enumeration of each of the same. They began yesterday and are going carefully over the city just as the government enumerators did in the Spring. Reports are made to police headquarters and when the work is done the "police census bureau" will begin compiling the figures. The policemen having in charge the work in the several districts are as follows:

First Division—B. R King.
Second Division—W. H. Barden.
Third Division—M. E. Guy.
Fourth Division—J. A. Martin.
Fifth Division—E. L. Smith and George Smith.

Each house in the various districts is visited and people should not hesitate to give the enumerators all the information desired.

Bryan-French Wedding.

The marriage of Mr. Robert Strange French, of Wilmington, and Miss Mary Bryan, of Charleston, in the "Palmetto City by the Sea" at 8.30 o'clock this evening, is of much social interest here as well as in Charleston. The ceremony will be performed in St. Michael's Episcopal Church, by the rector, Rev. John Peschau, assisted by Bishop Ellison Capers and Rev. Robert Strange, D. D. Among the Wilmingtonians who have gone to Charleston to attend the wedding are Mr. and Mrs. W. R. French, Miss May Beverly French, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Carmichael, Miss Carrie Myers, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Bidgood and Mr. H. H. McIlhenny.

Roderick Escaped Again.

Geo. Roderick, who was sentenced to four months on the county convict force at Castle Haynes at the last term of Criminal Court for assault and battery with a deadly weapon, made his escape from the camp yesterday and up to late hour last night had not been captured. Roderick, it will be remembered, effected an opening in the ceiling of the county jail a few weeks ago and he, with several other prisoners, made his escape, but was re-captured soon after by Jailor Millis. Several deputies are now on his trail for the last escape and expect to arrest him without much delay.

Wilmington Lodge of Elks.

The first meeting of Wilmington Lodge, No. 532 B. P. O. E. in its handsome new building on North Front street will be held to-night and every member is urged to be in attendance. There will be initiation ceremonies and other business of extreme importance. The furniture for the new lodge room was placed yesterday. It is very handsome and includes everything except a few pedestals and other articles which will be made here.

WILMINGTON SCHOONER IN TROUBLE.

The N. H. Skinner in at Norfolk on Account of a Leak.

The schooner *N. H. Skinner*, Capt. Wheatley, which cleared from Wilmington for New York on November 25th, with a cargo of 260,000 feet of lumber from the Cape Fear Lumber Company, is in at Norfolk, Va., on account of a leak which she sprung on November 30th.

She had very heavy weather on her up trip and lost most of her deck load. Capt. Wheatley noted protest with the underwriters' agent at Norfolk and as soon as the necessary repairs are made she will proceed on her voyage.

K. of P. Election.

At the regular meeting of Jefferson Lodge, No. 61, K. of P., held last night the following officers were elected for the ensuing term, beginning January 1st, 1901.

C. C.—J. C. Morrison.
V. C.—W. L. Holden.
Prelate—A. Alligood.
M. of W.—E. H. Munson.
K. of R. S.—A. S. Holden.
M. of F.—R. S. Collins.
M. of E.—C. T. Hawes.
M. at A.—E. F. Jones.
I. G.—J. H. Taylor, Jr.
O. G.—C. I. Kline.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

An Informal Social Reception

Complimentary to Rev. and Mrs. John W. Paxton and Dr. and Mrs. Geo. C. Worth,

will be given Friday evening, Dec. 7th, at 8 o'clock, in the Parlors of the First Presbyterian Church. Every member of the congregation and all strangers attending the church are cordially invited to be present. dec 6 1t

Elks' Meeting To-night.

A meeting of Wilmington Lodge of Elks will be held to-night at the Elks' Home at 8 o'clock. All members are requested to be on hand, as there is important business to be transacted. Initiation.
Visiting brothers welcome.
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MOON'S PHASES.

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The Morning Star.

BY WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

THURSDAY MORNING, DEC. 6.

RICH PICKINGS.

One of the striking differences between Democratic statesmen and Republican statesmen is that the former in levying taxes try to avoid levying more than is necessary to meet the expenses of the Government, holding that unnecessary taxation is unjust taxation, while the latter levy taxes without regard to the strict demands for revenue, the result generally being a surplus. They act on the maxim that it is easier to manage a surplus than a deficiency, for they can "shovel a surplus out," as Corporal Tanner boasted he was doing when he was Commissioner of Pensions. The war taxes, levied to meet the expenses of the war with Spain, are still on and the result is a surplus in the Treasury now. But the Republicans statesmen are not bothered about that, for they are just simply going to get rid of it and let the men who helped elect McKinley get the benefit of it and of some more grabs too. One of their boasts is that this is a billion dollar country and the endorsement they received at the last election has emboldened them to run the coulter still deeper, and provide jobs which will give their friends rich pickings. Judging from the indications and the talk in Washington the correspondents have begun to foreshadow the programme, one of whom, the correspondent of the Baltimore *Sun*, out lines it thus:

"President McKinley is arranging a program for Congress under conditions that are unexampled in the history of the United States. More power to influence legislation no President ever had since Lincoln. Mr. McKinley and his party associates, it is said, intend to take the verdict at the polls last November as an indorsement and a mandate and they are preparing to obey the 'mandate' at home and abroad. McKinley's second term, to all intents and purposes, has begun.

"He has taken the country through the door of expansion. He stands now ready to lead it into what his friends are so fond of calling the "golden era." It is likely to be a golden era in more respects than one—a golden era for the goats as well as for the sheep, and Washington is literally overrun with lobbyists, attorneys, secret agents and outspoken capitalists—all intriguing for a share of the wealth that is to come from the cornucopia.

"These are only a few things in this "golden era" to excite remark as Congress reassembles. The plans that are going forward to further qualify the United States for holding the place it has taken among the great world powers challenge the imagination.

"The great project of cutting a canal to be owned by the United States through the Central American isthmus is before Congress and has received a powerful impetus by expansion. The latest estimates of the Nicaragua canal route will cost $175,000,000. The public sentiment behind the Nicaragua route is expected to force action if the Hay-Pauncefote treaty, insuring the neutrality of the canal under American control, can be ratified. A natural accompaniment of this policy of expansion in the 'golden era' is an American Pacific cable connecting us with our possessions in the Far East. If it is built by the Government it will cost $20,000,000.

"Congress is expected to take the step, in passing the Spooner bill, that will commit the United States to the government of the Philippines by something other than the war power under which the President is now acting. There will undoubtedly by legislation providing for a standing army of 95,766 men, which may be reduced to 58,942, and the Government must meet the proposition of fortifying our colonial outposts in the Philippines, in Guam, in Hawaii and in Porto Rico. With a greater army, a greater navy must go hand-in hand, and there are plans for literally belting the globe both north and south of the equator with coaling stations.

"The Administration is confronted with the question, 'What shall be done with the surplus?' The reply heard in a resounding chorus is, 'Spend it.' The war is past, but there is a strenuous reluctance against letting go of the millions that are pouring in under the war revenue tax and other revenue laws. There will be a fight against any policy other than keeping war expenses going in this 'golden era' of peace. With all the increased expenses due to the war with Spain there was a surplus of $79,527,000 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1900, which Secretary Gage managed to cut down about $55,000,000 by bond purchases, redeeming bonds and carrying out the refunding act.

"In the face of all this there is a manifest objection to making a large reduction in the war taxes. The largest cut contemplated is $30,000,000. This would still leave an estimated surplus of $95,000,000. The reason for it is that Congress wants to spend the money. The purposes to which this money is to be applied are not difficult to find.

"There is 'internal expansion' to be considered. The River and Harbor bill will carry direct appropriations of $35,000,000; will authorize large contracts for several millions more, while the Sundry Civil bill will have items for contracts previously authorized reaching $9,000,000—total more than $34,000,000.

"The officeholders, too, are going in for their share of the war tax that will be retained. There will be an increase in ordinary civil expenditures of the Government of about $8,000,000, these increases being in the executive, legislative and judicial departments."

One of the results of wars is to bring speculators and promoters to the front, men who are intent upon making millions and are not overparticular as to how they make them. This is one of the results of wars not only in this but in other countries. Wars are harvests to men of this kind. The "War for the Union" as it is sometimes called, produced a multitude of this kind of men who soon owned the Government and controlled both Houses of Congress and raked in millions upon millions of dollars, and millions upon millions of acres of the public domain granted in subsidies to railroads. The Republican party was young then, the promoters and the speculators got such a hold on it that they have held it ever since, and now they have the opportunity to get in some more of their work, with the grand schemes they have planned.

Ship subsidies, a big army and navy which means big contracts for army and navy supplies, big contracts for ships, big canals, ocean cables, coast fortifications, all involving an expenditure of hundreds of millions, to be shared among the gentlemen who have a pull on the Republican statesmen.

One of the principal promoters is a man who stands nearest to the President, a man who has more influence over him and in shaping the policies of this administration than any other half dozen men in the country—Mark Hanna, who runs his politics and his statesmanship on the dollar schedule. He has surrounded himself with men of his own stripe, and it is these who control and shape the policies of this administration. Mr. McKinley is as wax in their hands. They have filled him with the idea that his name is to be associated with some of the greatest enterprises in the history of the country, enterprises that will make a new era in its history. They are going to make the American people pay for it all, and they will in the meantime rake in their millions, and have the cheek to tell the people it is all for them and for the glory of their country. And while all this is going on, while they are planning to raid the Treasury, they are preparing the way for one of the most colossal financial collapses this country ever saw.

AS AN ENGLISHMAN SEES IT.

The New York *Sun* devotes a good deal of space to Southern topics, being about as hostile to the South now as it was professedly friendly before it flopped and became a Republican organ. In addition to the editorials in which it ventilates its views, its columns frequently contain communications discussing Southern questions, lynchings, the franchise, &c. In this respect it is fair for it gives both sides a hearing. In a recent issue appeared a communication from an Englishman, a resident of Hartford, Conn., in reply to an arraignment of the Southern people for lynching which had appeared a day or so before, in which he said:

"I am an Englishman and a careful observer of facts. My business necessitates my travelling twice annually through the Southern States and I have learned something about lynching negroes.

"If the 'resident correspondent here for a foreign daily' who wrote you the other day is in doubt how to 'put the life here in its true light before European readers' he should not depend merely upon newspaper accounts of negro troubles, but become personally familiar with actual facts.

"Previous to my travels in the South I must admit I, too, was shocked at lynch law. My opinion is different now. We rarely hear of negro crimes in large towns. The troubles invariable occur in small towns where they are considerably in excess of the number of white residents. It is in such places that they commit heinous crimes, often so atrocious as to make unprintable the facts. These criminals have no fear whatever of the law, and if the white citizens did not form a posse and enforce summary law their lives would be constantly endangered.

"I do not advocate burning at the stake, that is too severe; but then the cruel death is often not so cruel as the crimes they commit themselves upon little girls and helpless women. I have heard and seen so much of negro lynching that I am bound to confess it is a necessity that must be enforced, but not by law, for the safety of white people in towns that are in minority of population to the colored race."

This is about as strong a defence of lynching as was ever made by any Southern man, although phrased in moderate language. Whether we agree with him that lynching is necessary or not, the fact remains that public sentiment regards it as necessary, and the further fact remains that there will be lynching while the crimes that provoke lynching continue to be perpetrated.

That there is no more of this in the South than there would be in any other section of the country under similar conditions, is shown by the disposition to resort to it in other sections where women are assaulted by negroes. In cases like that geographical lines are obliterated, and the fiend, when caught, quickly pays the penalty without waiting for the slow formalities of the law, and sometimes fearfully, as in the case of that Colorado negro, who was burned at the stake.

It is noted as somewhat surprising that an escaped lunatic in Wisconsin carried off the honors at a municipal civil service examination in the city of Racine. If the questions propounded there are like the questions propounded in the United States civil service examinations there would be nothing remarkable in this, for these were gotten up by lunatics.

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CURRENT COMMENT.

— The Weylerizing of the transvaal was neither a wise nor profitable stroke of war for John Bull. —*Baltimore Herald, Rep.*

— Friends of the Shipsidy bill are gathering in Washington. "Where the carcess is, there will the vultures be gathered together."—*Brooklyn Citizen, Dem.*

— The latest count of the returns, it is noted, shows the four Eastern States of New Hampshire, Vermont, New Jersey and Delaware "the McKinley total is 5,000 behind that of 1896, while the Bryan total is 53,000 in excess of his vote in 1896." If the wild cat West has done as well as the financial centre of the country Mr. Bryan would have been elected by a tital wave. *Charleston News and Courier, Dem.*

— How nearly the "open door" in China has been closed by the disturbances there is shown in the Statistical Bureau's statement of exports to China for October last—$579,-005, as against $1,324,314 for the corresponding months of the current calendar year amounted to $2,196,-144—no inconsiderable item in an export traffic reaching about $15,-000,000 annually. On the other hand, Japan, Australia, British India and the Philippine Islands have vastly increased their imports of American commodities, and our exports traffic in this quarter for the current year will probably exceed $100,000,000, or thrice the volume of American enterprise has made more rapid strides and achieved greater triumphs than any of its competitors among trading nations. —*Philadelphia Record, Dem.*

TWINKLINGS.

— Young Lady Patient—"Doctor, what do you do when you burn your mouth with hot coffee?" Doctor—"Swear!"—*Pick Me Up.*

— Rather Windy—"He has a very breezy manner, don't you think?" "Well, yes, if you refer to the delight he takes in airing his views."—*Philadelphia Press.*

— "When we're married, dear, you won't be always threatening to go home to your mother, will you?" "No; I'll threaten to have mother come and live with us."—*Exchange.*

— Mrs. Nexdoor—"We consider piano playing wicked on Sunday." Mrs. Snapp—"Glad to hear it. That's what we consider your daughter's on week days."—*Philadelphia Press.*

— Mrs. Von Blumer—"Dear! dear! I dropped my diamond ring off my finger this morning and can't find it anywhere." Von Blumer—"It's all right. I came across it in one of my trousers pockets."—*Harper's Bazar.*

— Mr. Sappeigh—"I wouldn't marry that Miss Gabby. She is terribly set in her ways." Mr. Softeigh—"Is that so?" Mr. Sappeigh—"Yes, indeed. Why, she has refused me nine times."—*Baltimore American.*

— Witch No. 1—"It serves her right." Witch No. 2—"Serves who right?" Witch No. 1—"The Witch of Endor. She discarded her broom for an automobile last night, and was stranded ten miles from home."—*Baltimore American.*

— A Book of Reference: Papa—"Here! I told you never to go near that bookcase without my permission." Willie—"I jest want to look at the history of the United States." Papa—"What for?" Willie—"This paper says the Chicagos was champeons of the League in 1887, and I don't believe it."—*Philadelphia Press.*

— Kind of Him: Her Mother (sternly)—"Mary complains that you won't help her at all; that you never even hold the baby." Her Husband—"That's not so. Why, I held him last night for a while." Her Mother—"Oh, you did! How long, pray?" Her Husband—"Well—er—long enough for Mary to bring up a scuttle of coal." —*Philadelphia Press.*

— "So you reject me!" the young lawyer said, rather bitterly. "I wonder if it would do any good to appeal the case to your father?" She shook her head. "There is no appeal from my decision," she replied. "I am what you call the court of last resort." "But I cannot give up the case in this way!" he exclaimed. She dug the sand with the point of her parasol. "Mr. Braxton," she said, softly, "might you not ask for a new trial?" —*Chicago Tribune.*

— Lumberton *Robesonian:* We regret to announce the death of Mr. H. McLean, which occurred in Red Springs last Friday. Mr. McLean was formerly a Maxton man.

Brave Men Fall

Victims to stomach, liver and kidney troubles as well as women, and all feel the results in loss of appetite, poisons in the blood, backache, nervousness, headache and tired, listless, run down feeling. But there's no need to feel like that. Listen to J. W. Gardner, Idaville, Ind. He says: "Electric Bitters are just the thing for a man when he is all run down, and don't care whether he lives or dies. It did more to give me new strength and good appetite than anything I could take. I can now eat anything and have a new lease on life." Only 50 cents, at R. R. BELLAMY'S Drug Store, Every bottle guaranteed. †

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THE SUBSIDY BOOMERS HUSTLING.

The ship subsidy boomers had their plans laid before Congress met, and as a result the subsidy bill was brought to the front on the first day and given the right of way. The vote by which it was brought to the front is significant of its strength in the Senate, where the only chance to prevent its passage, in some shape, if not precisely as it is now phrased, will be to talk it to death under the "senatorial courtesy" rule, a plan to which its opponents may resort.

As it is a party measure, backed by the administration all the influence of the administration will be wielded to carry it through and that means a good deal, with a Republican Congress, where the whip and patronage are potent factors in bringing in dissenters. Whatever objection there may be by the Republican Senators or Representatives is not to the subsidy idea, for they all believe in that, but to the matter of distributing the subsidies, but some way will, doubtless, be found to placate these and secure their votes for the measure when the time comes to vote. The schemers and grabbers hold the reins.

BOOK NOTICES.

The North American Review for December contains a fine list of contents which the thoughtful reader will enjoy. The articles are all of a solid character, dealing with topics of state, religious, economic, historical, scientific, &c. Among them is a paper by Wm. J. Bryan on the election of 1900. Address The North American Review, Franklin Square, New York.

Frank Leslie's Monthly for December presents a varied and interesting list of contents, handsomely illustrated. The list embraces a paper on "The Fool Killers," "Life Saving on the Great Lakes," and "Jerusalem in 1900," each of which is interesting. Address Frank Leslie Publishing House, 141-147 Fifth avenue, New York.

The Christmas number of *The Bookman* is not only more than ordinarily interesting, which is saying a good deal, but handsomely illustrated. The reader will find every page interesting and the "Current Comment" and "Notes on some American Magazine Editors" especially so. Published by Dodd, Meade and Company, Fifth Avenue, New York.

South Carolina is the only State in the Union which has no divorce law, and she is proud of it. If married folks can't gee there they must grin and bear it, or go thence, across the border, to dissolve partnership.

Millions Given Away.

It is certainly gratifying to the public to know of one concern in the land who are not afraid to be generous to the needy and the suffering. The proprietors of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, have given away over ten million trial bottles of this great medicine; and have the satisfaction of knowing it has absolutely cured thousand of hopeless cases. Asthma, Bronchitis, Hoarseness and all diseases of the Throat, Chest and Lungs are surely cured by it. Call on R. R. BELLAMY, Druggist, and get a 10c. trial bottle. Regular size 50c. and $1. Every bottle guaranteed, or price refunded. †

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Kinston *Free Press*: Tom Barret, the negro who struck Mr. Dick Carr, of Willow Greene, with a chair just before the August election, was tried in Snow Hill Saturday. He was sentenced to five years in the penitentiary.

— Monroe *Journal*: Mr. Bingham Osborne, a son of Mr. John Osborne, of Sandy Ridge township, died last Wednesday of typhoid malaria. — Mr. Reece Belk, of Jackson township, died last Friday morning of Bright's disease.

— Shelby *Aurora*: Quite a large party of negroes left here last week via the Seaboard bound for the Coal and Iron mines of Pennsylvania. This exodus of negroes from the State is becoming marked. — While enjoying the Winston fair, R. L. Simmons who is a regular curio crank, purchased some very ancient corn, said to have been the original seed corn of this country and handed down from generation. This corn is of a peculiar brown color and looks very much as if it had been parched."

— Raleigh *News and Observer*: Mr. E A. Garner, night watchman at the Selma Oil and Fertilizer Works, was instantly killed Sunday night at the company's plant there. It seems that Mr Garner was assisting the engineer in starting the engine, by prying the drive wheel off of centre, not knowing that it was under any pressure of steam, when suddenly and rapidly the wheel rushed off, entangling Mr. Garner and killing him instantly, and very painfully injuring one or two others. — The Milton chair factory was incorporated yesterday with a capital stock of $25,000. It is to last 30 years. The stockholders are ten prominent business men of Caswell county.

— Newton *Enterprise*: Mr. Jesse Hawn aged 81 years, dropped dead at home in East Hickory last Friday afternoon. —The murder of old Mr. Travis near Newton is still a mystery. The Governor will be asked to offer a reward for the detection of the guilty parties. —The warm rain last week and the warm sunshine which followed was a very fine on late wheat. Early wheat is the prettiest we ever saw it in the fall. Mr. D. C. K. Wilkinson of Chronicle, authorizes the *Enterprise* to say that the farmers of his section are in better financial condition than they hay have before been in ten years, We believe the same can be said of farmers generally in Piedmont Carolina. And we agree with Mr. Wilkinson that this is on account of their own industry and economy and the good prices for cotton, and not on account of McKinleyism or any other political ism. — Rufus Peterson, a young white man of Hickory, one day last week took a note to the Shuford bank, of this place, purporting to be given by Mr. B. M. Morrow, with his father, Mr. W. H. Morrow, as security. The note was for $11,250, and he offered to sell it for $90. Mr. Crowell's suspicion was then aroused, and seeing Mr. Morrow on the street he mentioned the matter to him. Mr. Morrow said it was a forgery. Peterson was arrested and put in jail.

A Famous Pearl.

The beautiful pearl known as the Great Southern Cross was found in Western Australia in the year 1884. It consists of nine pearls joined together in the form of a cross, in which shape it was found by a man named Clarke. It is said that the finder and the first purchaser of it buried it for some time, superstitiously regarding it as a heavenly miracle. It was, however, ultimately taken up from its burial place and sold for $1,000, since which time it has frequently changed hands and is now valued at $50,000. At the Colonial and Indian exhibition in England it attracted a good deal of notice and is probably the only natural cross ever found.

Cannibals and Pork.

In the New Hebrides human life has been made safe by the introduction of pigs into the island. The cannibals are said to prefer roast pork to roast man, and as the porcine tribe increases among the natives they may give up their feasts on human flesh altogether excepting when something unusual happens, such as entertaining a king of some other cannibal island or on state occasions of rare ceremony.

The Cat Catcher.

The dog catcher is not the only person in the city who is sincerely hated by both man and animal. There is a cat catcher as well, and he comes in for his full share of antipathy. He makes a living at the business, and a very good one, it is said. Few are aware of the fact that pussy's fur is a very desirable article of commerce. There are any number of dealers in this city who are glad to pay all the way from 50 cents to $1 for a cat's skin, according to size and quality. The method of catching the unsuspecting cat is a particularly mean one. It is a well established fact that cats are very fond of catnip and will troop after a man who carries a bundle of it. This greed leads to the undoing of pussy, who will come to a stand if a bit of the herb is thrown on the ground and is thus made an easy prey. A bag and a chloroformed sponge do the rest, and many a household pet, the disappearance of which caused sorrow, can be accounted for in this way.—Philadelphia Press.

A Well Merited Retort.

Ex-Assistant United States District Attorney Sutherland Tenney of New York was graduated from the Columbia Law school in 1875, when he carried off the first prize of $500. A disappointed competitor congratulated him and added:

"I suppose it was because your thesis was illegible, as usual, and the judges gave you the benefit of the doubt."

Mr. Tenney, unruffled, replied, "How much better you would do if you adopted that practice in all your work!"—Saturday Evening Post.

The Two Sides.

What the employer said: "Thank heaven, I've got rid of that nuisance at last. I had given him hints enough, but it was of no use, and finally I actually had to kick him out of the place."

What the paper said, "We hear that Mr. Benson Harding has severed his connection with the Brownstone Improvement company."—Boston Transcript.

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

[Quoted officially at the closing by the Produce Exchange.]

STAR OFFICE, December 5

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.—Market firm at 38½ cents per gallon for machine made casks at 38 cents per gallon for country casks.

ROSIN—Market firm at $1.20 per barrel for strained and $1.25 for good strained.

TAR—Market firm at $1.45 per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE.—Market steady at $1.40 per barrel for hard, $2.40 for dip, and —— for virgin.

Quotations same day last year.—Spirits turpentine firm at 48½@48c; rosin firm at $1.07½@1.12½; tar firm at $1.40; crude turpentine quiet at $1.50@$2.80.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	49
Rosin	203
Tar	178
Crude turpentine	159

Receipts same day last year.—35 casks spirits turpentine, 437 bbls rosin, 200 bbls tar, 47 bbls crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market firm on a basis of 9⅝c per pound for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	7 3-16	cts ₱ lb
Good ordinary	8 9 16	" "
Low middling	9 3-16	" "
Middling	9⅝	" "
Good middling	9 15 16	" "

Same day last year middling steady at 7¼c.

Receipts—1,484 bales; same day last year, 1,875.

[Corrected Regularly by Wilmington Produce Commission Merchants.]

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS — North Carolina — Prime, 70c. Extra prime, 75c per bushel of 28 pounds; fancy, 80c, Virginia—Prime 60c; extra prime. 65c; fancy, 70c.

CORN—Firm, 58 to 60 cents per bushel.

ROUGH RICE—Lowland (tidewater) 85 cents; upland, 50@60 cents. Quotations on a basis of 45 pounds to the bushel.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams 13 to 15c per pound; shoulders, 10 to 11c; sides, 8 to 9c.

EGGS—Firm at 20@22 cents per dozen.

CHICKENS—Very dull. Grown, 23½@25 cents; springs, 12½@20 cts.

BEESWAX—Firm at 25 cents.

TALLOW—Firm at 5½@6½ cents per pound.

TURKEYS—Live, dull at 8c; dressed, 11@12½c.

SWEET POTATOES—Dull at 30c.

FINANCIAL MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Dec. 5.—Money on call steady at 4@5 per cent., last loan being at 4 per cent. Prime mercantile paper 4@4½ per cent. Sterling exchange barely steady; actual business in bankers' bills at 485¼ for demand and 481½ for sixty days. Posted rates 482½ and 486½. Commercial bills 480¾@481¼. Silver certificates 64@65. Bar silver 64½. Mexican dollars 50¾. Government bonds weak. State bonds inactive. Railroad bonds irregular. U.S. refunding 2's reg'd, 104¼; U.S. refunding 2's, coupon, 105; U. S. 2's, reg'd, —; U. S. 3's, reg'd, 109¾; do. coupon, 109¾; U. S. new 4's, reg'd, 138½; do. coupon, 138½; U. S. 4's, old reg'd 114¾; do. coupon, 115¾; U. S. 5's, reg'd, 113; do. coupon, 113; Southern Railway 5's 113. Stocks: Baltimore & Ohio 79½; Chesapeake & Ohio 37¼; Manhattan L 109½; N. Y. Central 142½; Reading 19¼; do. 1st pref'd 63; St. Paul, 126¾; do. pref'd, 176½; Southern Railway 17¾; pref'd 67½; American Tobacco, 106½; do. pref'd 130; People's Gas 99½; Sugar 127¾; do. pref'd 116½; T. C. & Iron 68; U. S. Leather 12¾; do. preferred 74¾; Western Union 83¾.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Dec. 5.—Rosin steady. Spirits turpentine quiet at 42@42½c.

CHARLESTON, Dec. 5.—Spirits turpentine firm at 38½c; sales — casks. Rosin firm and unchanged.

SAVANNAH, Dec. 5.—Spirits turpentine firm at 39c; sales 1,307 casks; receipts 1,009 casks; exports 1,923 casks. Rosin firm; sales 5,063 barrels; receipts 4,968 barrels; exports 4,759 barrels. A, B, C, D, $1 30; E, $1 40; F, $1 45; G, $1 50; H, $1 55; I, $1 60; K, $1 65, M, $1 70; N, $2 10; W G, $2 50; W W, $2 85.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, December 5.—The cotton market was exceptionally narrow and uneventful to-day. The opening was steady at an advance of two points to a decline of one point; for the remainder of the day the market worked within a range of eight points, closing steady at net unchanged prices to an advance of three points. The feature of the local trading was selling of August contracts by Liverpool parties against purchases of August September in their own market. The best support the market had, apart from the covering of shorts, was New Orleans buying. Selling was checked by fears of a bullish lintage report from Washington next Monday. The movement was a heavy one and the trade was inclined to increase crop estimates. The Southern spot market, without showing any particular change, was reported to be supported by main force rather than by a satisfactory demand from spinners or exporters. The general situation reflected general timidity on the part of the trade.

NEW YORK, Dec. 5.—Cotton dull; middling uplands 10 3 16c.

Cotton futures market closed steady: December 9.83, January 9.75, February 9.71, March 9.68. April 9.63, May 9.58, June 9 56, July 9.53, August 9.24, September 8.58.

Spot cotton closed dull; middling uplands 10 3 16c; middling gulf 10 7-16; sales 2,407 bales.

Net receipts 2,969 bales; gross receipts 12,291 bales; stock 59,418 bales.

Total to day—Net receipts 60,156 bales; exports to Great Britain 8,433 bales; exports to the Continent 3,551 bales; stock 867,161 bales.

Consolidated—Net receipts 204,629 bales; exports to Great Britain 50,693 bales; exports to France 23,636 bales; exports to the Continent 53,319 bales.

Total since September 1st.—Net receipts 3,563,753 bales; exports to Great Britain 1,289,454 bales; exports to France 282,090 bales; exports to the Continent 903,753 bales.

December 5.—Galveston, quiet at 9 11-16, net receipts 16,313 bales; Norfolk, dull at 9¾c, net receipts 2,315 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 10¼c, net receipts — bales; Boston, dull at 10 3,16, net receipts 2,619 bales; Wilmington, firm at 9⅝, net receipts 1,484 bales; Philadelphia quiet at 10 7 16c, net receipts 179 bales; Savannah, quiet at 9½, net receipts 8,388 bales; New Orleans, quiet at 9 13-16c, net receipts 25,184 bales; Mobile, easy at 9 9-16c, net receipts 357 bales; Memphis, steady at 9 13 16c, net receipts 3,059 bales; Augusta, quiet at 9⅝c, net receipts 1,707 bales; Charleston, steady at 9⅝c, net receipts 449 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Dec. 5.—Flour was very firm and generally held at higher prices, although buyers' views were unchanged. Wheat—Spot firm; No. 2 red 79¾c. Options experienced decided early strength on a big advance in Paris cables and general strength elsewhere abroad, together with further covering on this side and fairly active outside speculative support. In the afternoon, however, realizing produced a setback which left the close of the market about steady at ¼@⅜c advance. Sales included: Jan'y closed 78¾c; March closed 80⅞c; May closed —c; December closed 78½c. Corn—Spot firm; No. 2 46¼c. Options advanced sharply again early in the day, led by a scare in December shorts, and fortified also by heavy clearances, light country acceptances, high cables and strength of cash property. The market yielded to realizing and closed easy at ½c rise on December, but ½c loss on May. May closed 42¾c; December closed 46¼c. Oats—Spot steady; No. 2 36½c. Options quiet but firm. Lard firmer; Western steam $7 57½; refined steady. Pork steady. Butter firm; Western creamery 18@26c; factory 16@24c. Eggs steady; State and Pennsylvania 28@30c at mark, for average lots. Peanuts steady. Potatoes quiet. Cheese firm; large September fancy 11½c; small September 11½; large late made 10¾@10¾c; small late made 11c. Freights to Liverpool—Cotton by steam 20c. Petroleum dull. Tallow quiet. Molasses steady. Cabbages steady. Rice steady. Cotton seed oil—Trade in oils was without new features. Sellers offered freely at the market and the demand being still quite unimportant. Prime crude in barrels, 28@28½c, nominal; prime summer yellow 31c; off summer yellow 30½c; prime winter yellow 37@37½c; prime white 34@35c; prime meal $26 00. Coffee—Spot Rio easy; No. 7 invoice 7¼c; mild quiet; Cordova 9¼@31¼c. Sugar—Raw firm but quiet; fair refining 3 15 16c; refined quiet.

CHICAGO, December 5.—At one time to-day the wheat market showed good gain on strong cables, but later reacted on local selling, January closing steady at ½c higher. December corn closed ⅜c higher and May a shade lower. Oats closed unchanged, and provisions 7½@20c improved.

CHICAGO, Dec. 5.—Cash quotations: Flour dull and easy. Wheat—No. 2 spring 67½@70¼c; No. 2 red 72@74c. Corn—No. 2, 37½@37¾c. Oats—No. 2 23c; No. 3 white 26¼c; No. 3 do. 25@26c. Pork, per barrel, $11 12½@11 25. Lard, per 100 lbs, $7 20@7 22½. Short rib sides, loose, $6 50@6 37½. Dry salted shoulders, $5 87½@6 12½. Short clear sides, boxed $6 55@6 65. Whiskey—Distillers' finished goods, per gallon, $1 27.

The leading futures ranged as follows—opening, highest, lowest and closing: Wheat—No. 2 December 71⅛@71¾, 71¾, 71¼, 71¼@71¼c; January 72, 72⅛@71¼, 71⅝, 71⅝@71⅝c; May 74⅞@75⅛, 75⅛, 74⅛, 74⅛@74⅝. Corn—December 37¼@37½, 38, 37¼, 37½c; January 35¾@35¾, 36¼, 35¾, 36c; May 36¾@36¾, 36¾, 36⅛@36⅜, 36⅛@36⅜c. Oats—December 21⅝@21⅝, 21⅛@21¼, 21⅜, 21⅛c; May 23⅞, 24, 23⅞, 23⅞. Pork, per bbl—January $12 07½, 12 25, 12 07½, 12 22½; May $12 00, 12 12½, 11 97½, 12 11¾. Lard, per 100 lbs.—December $7 22½, 7 25, 7 15, 7 07½; January $6 85, 6 90, 6 85, 6 90; May $6 90, 6 97½, 6 90, 6 97½. Short ribs, per 100 lbs—January $6 27½, 6 27½, 6 25, 6 27½; May $6 35, 6 37½, 6 32½, 6 37½.

FOREIGN MARKET.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LIVERPOOL, December 5, 4 P. M.—Cotton—Spot, quiet; prices easy; American middling 5 19 32d. The sales of the day were 8,000 bales, (of which 500 bales were for speculation and export and included 7,400 bales American. Receipts 49,000 bales, all American.

Futures opened and closed quiet but steady. American middling (l. m. c.) December 5 28-64@5 29-64d buyer; December and January 5 26 64d seller; January and February 5 28-64@5 24-64d buyer; February and March 5 21 64d buyer; March and April 5 19-64d seller; April and May 5 16 64@5 17-64d seller; May and June 5 14-64d buyer; June and July 5 11-64d buyer; July and August 5 8 64d buyer; August and September 4 57-64@4 58-64d buyer.

LIVERPOOL, December 5.—The Cotton Exchange will be closed December 24th, 25th, 26th and 31st, and January 1st.

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W. & N. Railroad—179 bales cotton, 25 casks spirts turpentine.

C. C. Railroad—24 bales cotton, 1 cask spirits turpentine, 65 barrels rosin, 56 barrels tar, 58 barrels crude turpentine.

Steamer Cresus—18 barrels tar, 8 barrels crude turpentine.

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EATING AN OYSTER.

The Starfish Has Rather an Odd Way of Doing It.

How the starfish eats an oyster is told by H. W. Conn in St. Nicholas.

The oyster when at home lives in a hard lime shell which nicely protects him from the attack of enemies. Man, with his tools, can open the shell and remove the soft animal, but besides man the oyster has few foes. Oddly enough, his greatest foe is not, as might be expected, an animal with powerful jaws and strong teeth, but one wholly without jaws. It is the common starfish, so common everywhere at the seashore.

Now, the starfish is a soft, flexible creature, very sluggish, seemingly helpless and utterly unable to attack such an animal as the oyster. Its mouth, which is in the center of the disk, has no teeth or jaws. How can such a helpless creature open the formidable oyster shell and get at the animal concealed within?

Its method of doing so is odd enough. It first clasps the oyster in its arms, wrapping its five arms around the shell tightly. Having thus seized the oyster, it quietly waits. Just exactly what happens next even our scientists do not exactly know. The two shells of the oyster are held together by a hinge which is opened by a spring. The spring is so adjusted that the shells will be pushed open unless they are held together by the muscles. Some scientists tell us that after the starfish has held the oyster for awhile the oyster opens its shell in order to get food, and the starfish that has been waiting for this now injects into the shell a little reddish liquid. This acts as a poison, paralyzing the muscles and thus making it impossible for the animal to close its shell. Others tell us that the process is simpler and that the starfish simply holds the shells tightly together until the oyster is smothered. As soon as it is stupefied by the suffocation the muscles relax and the shell opens.

Whichever of these two accounts is true it is certain that after a little the oyster shells fly open. Now comes the oddest feature of all. The stomach of the starfish is very large and elastic, and it is now thrown out of the animal's mouth much as one would turn a bag inside out. This stomach is then thrust within the oyster shell and wrapped around the soft animal, beginning at once to digest it. The starfish does not take the trouble even to remove the oyster from its shell, digesting it in its own home and eventually crawling away, leaving behind the gaping, empty shell.

STOOD FIRMLY TO PRINCIPLE.

A Woman Who Brought a Street Car Conductor to Terms.

I make my humblest salaam to a woman I saw in Fourteenth street Tuesday afternoon, for she has what I would rather have than much earthly treasure—the courage of her convictions. She was still of an age where birthdays may be publicly celebrated, and she was accompanied by a small girl child. The car was crowded when she entered it at I street, but the fortunate leaving of a woman who got down there left a vacant seat, into which she sank gratefully. She looked tired, and the child was obviously weary. The mother looked around for a seat and, seeing none, lifted the tired little thing into her lap. Presently the conductor came along. The woman gave him a ticket.

"How old is that child?" he asked.

"Six years and three months," answered the woman.

"Children over 5 full fare," said he.

The mother drew a long breath, and the light of an irrevocable resolve dawned in her eyes.

"If you will provide a seat for her, I am willing to pay her fare," said she, "and I shall not pay her fare if you don't. If I am obliged to treat her as an infant in arms, she shall have the privilege of an infant in arms. I simply will not pay for a child I have to hold in my lap."

The conductor was too amazed to be quick with his reply.

"You will have to pay or get off, madam," said he.

The woman merely swept him a look that would have withered a smaller man into nothing at all.

"I shall do nothing of the kind," she said, and he was obliged to pass on.

About Q street there was a seat for the child. The mother beckoned to the conductor.

"Here's the child's fare," said she. "The company is entitled to it now, but no seat, no fare."

My deepest salaam to her, I say. What mightn't we accomplish if only we'd all stand shoulder to shoulder with "No seat, no fare," as our warcry?—Washington Post.

Fried Bread.

"It is painful to observe that toast as an article of food is rapidly disappearing," said the regular eater in restaurants. "It is now almost impossible to get it in New York wherever one may order it. Fried bread is now accepted everywhere as the substitute for toast in spite of the difference in its taste, appearance and every other quality. Persons who eat toast for reason of health will find that fried bread produces an effect absolutely the opposite to that which toast would cause. I do not know a single restaurant in New York today in which real toast is served. The fried bread can be more easily and quickly prepared. The danger of burning is not so great, and in the hurry of a restaurant kitchen it is much less trouble to put bread into the frying pan than to have it kept over live coals long enough to toast. So toast must also be added to the list of simple and unpretentious dishes which are rapidly disappearing from New York's bill of fare because they are not elaborate enough to make it worth while to take trouble over them."—New York Sun.

Some Freak Plants.

There is a plant in Jamaica called the life plant because it seems almost impossible to kill it. When a leaf is cut off and hung up by a string, it sends out white, threadlike roots, gathers moisture from the air and begins to grow new leaves.

In South America there is a flower which can only be seen when the wind is blowing. The plant belongs to the cactus family, and when the wind blows a number of beautiful flowers protrude from little lumps on the stalk.—New York World.

In France.

Second (to duelist, who, on confronting his adversary, has suddenly grown pale and is only just prevented from falling)—Take courage, man. I know your opponent is going to fire in the air.

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Mrs. Youngwife—No, I'll take it with me if it isn't too heavy.

Dealer—I'll make it as light as possible for you, ma'am.—Philadelphia Press.

A CATHEDRAL.

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And, resting, gather strength anew
Mid dim memorials of the past;
The faith our fathers held holds true
O'er diverse ways love's light to cast.
—C. M. Paine in Chambers' Journal.

HAVE EYES AND SEE NOT.

Everyday Matters That Some People Seem Never to Notice.

"Can you tell me if collections of the mail are made today?" asked an elderly man of a young man in a Pennsylvania avenue news store last Sunday.

"Yes; there are several collections made in this city on Sunday," was the answer.

"Do you know the hour?"

"My friend, in front of this store is a mail box, and on the front of it is to be found a card with the hours of daily collection neatly tabulated. Examine it."

"Thanks."

"This is an example why some of the old men are pushed to the wall in the struggle for life and why it is not always the old practitioner who is the best," said the young man. "For a man of apparently 70 to ask in the city of Washington such a question as that gentleman just addressed to me is little short of criminal and well exemplifies how woefully deficient some people are with reference to matters of common knowledge which ought to be in the possession of every schoolboy at the age of 10.

"There are certain wrinkles of metropolitan life that some people seem never to grasp. The running leeway of the street cars, their terminl, the streets through which they pass and the districts they tap, the running time between Washington and the principal cities of the railroads, a thorough knowledge of the environments of the city, the major questions of the mail service and a thousand and one matters which, if not directly acquired by learning should be by absorption, ought to be at the finger tips of every person who enjoys the privilege of metropolitan life."—Washington Star.

Fixed For Her Photo.

Many a refusal to sit for a picture has been given because of a knowledge of advancing years and fading beauty. It remains for the Devonshire folk, however, to give a new point on "making up" for a sitting. S. Baring-Gould's "Book of the West" supplies the incident.

The looks of Devonshire and Cornish lassies are proverbial. A complexion of peaches and cream, a well proportioned body and well molded features are the characteristics. West country women, as they are called, cannot forget they were once comely.

A woman of 75 years was brought forward to be photographed by an amateur. No words of address could induce her to speak until the operation was completed. Then she put her fingers into her mouth.

She said: "You wouldn't ha' me took wi' my cheeks falled in? I just stuffed The Western Mornin News into my mouth to fill 'n out."

Battery Place.

Battery place is the traditional spot where, on May 6, 1626, the Indian owners of Manhattan bartered it to the Dutch for baubles worth 60 guilders.

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Squelching an Encore Fiend.

The long, solemn gentleman with the piercing eyes tapped gently on the shoulder of the encore fiend in front of him.

"Allow me to present you," said he, handing the applauder a small paper package.

"What does this mean?" asked the recipient wrathfully as he opened the package and found about $2 in dimes and nickels.

"It means this," replied the solemn gentleman: "I have noticed your earnest efforts to have everything twice. Therefore I have taken up this small collection in order that you may come tomorrow instead of trying to get your two performances in one evening."—Indianapolis Press.

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JUST RECEIVED a big line new Capes, Cloaks and Furs. A fine Clip-Coney Fur Collarette with 2 heads and 4 tails, for $1.98. A Ladies' nice Fur Cape at $2.00. A Ladies' Fur Cape with heads and tails attached at $3.50. Red and Gray Fox Collarettes with head and tails, for $4.00. Fine Fur Muff and Collarette to match, in Red and Gray Fox, for $12.50-a set.

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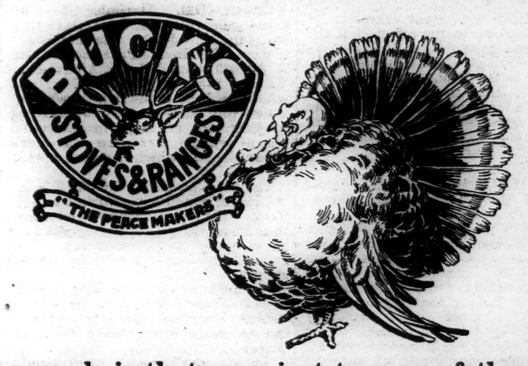

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STATEMENT OF

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RESOURCES.

Loans	$ 540,613.33
Overdrafts	36.58
U. S. Bonds (at par)	216,100.00
Banking House and Fixtures	10,000.00
Due from app'd res've agt's	$ 32,485.49
Due from other banks	168,145.69
Cash on hand	98,594.78—299,221.99
Total	$1,339,971.85

LIABILITIES.

Capital	$ 125,000.00
Surplus and undivided profits	106,307.65
Circulation	95,100.00
Deposits U. S Treas.	$130,875.00
Deposits from Banks	179,645.47
Deposits from individuals	731,043.38—1,081,563.70
Total	$1,339,971.85

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT.

	Sept. 5'98.	Sept. 5,'99.	Sept. 5, 1900
Total deposits	$581,800	$867,100	$1,081,500
Surplus and net profits	33,200	93,900	168,300
U.S. bonds at par	45,100	95,600	216,100

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Other trains arrive at Hamlet as follows: Train 403 from Atlanta, Rutherfordton, Shelby, Lincolnton, Charlotte and Monroe at 9:27 P. M.; train No. 41 from Portsmouth at 7:10 P. M.; train No. 27 from Richmond and points North at 10.27 P. M.; train No. 44 from Columbia and points South at 9.40 P. M., and train No. 65 from Columbia and points South at 9.00 A. M.

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Foreclosure Sale.

By virtue of a power of sale contained in a certain Deed of Mortgage bearing date of July 21st, 1900, executed by Henry Green and wife, Mary, to the Wilmington Homestead and Loan Association and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of New Hanover county in Book 28 page 409 et seq., the undersigned will expose for sale, at public auction, for cash, to the highest bidder, at the Court House door in the city of Wilmington, N. C., on Monday, the 17th day of December, A. D. 1900, at 12 o'clock M. the following described property situate in the city of Wilmington, N. C., and bounded and described as follows:

First Lot—Beginning in the northern line of Wooster street one hundred (100) feet westwardly from the eastern line of Ninth street, and running thence eastwardly along said northern line of Wooster street fifty (50) feet, thence northwardly parallel with Ninth street one hundred and ten (110) feet, thence westwardly parallel with Wooster street fifty (50) feet, thence southwardly parallel with Ninth street one hundred and ten (110) feet to the northern line of Wooster street, the point of beginning. The same being part central portions of Lots 5 and 6, Block 67, according to the official plan of said city of Wilmington.

Second Lot—Beginning at a point in the eastern line of Seventh street 66 feet south of the southern line of Ann street, runs thence south with the eastern line of Seventh street 33 feet, thence east parallel with Ann street 135 feet to Wilson street, thence north with the western line of Wilson street 33 feet, thence west parallel with Ann street 135 feet to the beginning; being northwestern part of Lot No. 2, Block 119, according to the plans of said city of Wilmington.

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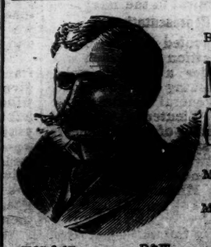

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DAILY 9.35 A. M. No. 48—Passenger—Due Magnolia 11.10 A. M., Warsaw 11.24 A. M., Goldsboro 12.32 P. M., Wilson 1.18 P. M., Rocky Mount 1.48 P. M., Tarboro 2.21 P. M., Weldon 4.32 P. M., Petersburg 5.21 P. M., Richmond 7.35 P. M., Norfolk 5.15 P. M., Washington 11.20 P. M., Baltimore 1.08 A. M., Philadelphia 3.58 A. M., New York 6.53 A. M., †Boston 1.0 P. M.

DAILY 7.00 P. M. No. 40—Passenger—Due Magnolia 8.5, P. M., Warsaw 8.43 P. M., Goldsboro 9.37 P. M., Wilson 10.30 P. M., †Tarboro 6.46 A. M., Rocky Mount 11.13, P. M., Weldon 1.00 A. M., †Norfolk 10.25 A. M., Petersburg 2.37 A. M., Richmond 3.35 A. M., Washington 7.01 A. M., Baltimore 8.30 A. M., Philadelphia 10.35 A. M., New York 1.08 P. M., Boston 9.00 P. M.

DAILY except Sunday 9.35 P. M. No. 50—Passenger—Due Jacksonville 4.12 P. M., Newbern 6.40 P. M.

SOUTH BOUND.

DAILY 3.45 P. M. No. 53—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 4.58 P. M., Chadbourn 5.30 P. M., Marion 6.49 P. M., Florence 7.25 P. M., Sumter 9 12 P. M., Columbia 10.36 P. M., Denmark 5.55 A. M., Augusta 7.55 A. M., Macon 11.15 A. M., Atlanta 12.35 P. M., Charleston 10.55 P. M., Savannah 2.45 A. M., Jacksonville 8.30 A. M., St. Augustine 11.11 A. M., Tampa 6.45 P. M.

WEST BOUND.

DAILY 9.00 A. M. No. 53—Passenger—Due Fayetteville 12.05 P.M., leaves Fayetteville 12.25 P. M., arrives Sanford 1.43 P. M.

ARRIVALS AT WILMINGTON—FROM THE NORTH.

DAILY 6.00 P M. No. 49—Passenger—Leave Boston †1.00 P. M., New York †2.25 P. M., Philadelphia 12.20 A. M., Baltimore 2.55 A. M., Washington 4.30 A. M., Richmond 9.05 A. M., Petersburg 9.48 A. M., Norfolk 2.00 A. M., Weldon 11.50 A. M., Tarboro 12.21 P. M. Rocky Mount 12.52 P. M., Wilson 2.40 P. M., Goldsboro 3.30 P. M., Warsaw 4.22 P. M., Magnolia 4.36 P. M.

DAILY 9.30 A. M. No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 12 night, New York 6 55 A. M., Philadelphia 11.33 A. M., Baltimore 1.46 P. M., Washington 3.12 P. M., Richmond 6.50 P. M., Petersburg 7.35 P. M., †Norfolk 3.30 P. M., Weldon 9.06 P. M., †Tarboro 6.00 P. M., Rocky Mount 8.15 A. M. Leave Wilson 8.57 A. M., Goldsboro 9.45 A. M., Warsaw 7.38 A. M., Magnolia 7.51 A. M.

DAILY except Sunday 12.15 P. M. No. 51—Passenger—Leave Newbern 9.00 A. M., Jacksonville 10.25 A. M.

FROM THE SOUTH.

DAILY 1.25 P. M. No. 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 9.00 A. M., Sanford 2.20 P. M., Jacksonville 8.00 P. M., Savannah 1.30 A. M., Charleston 6.45 A. M., Atlanta 7.50 A. M. Macon 9.00 A. M., Augusta 2.30 P. M., Denmark 4.29 P. M., Columbia 6.40 A. M., Sumter 8.05 P. M., Florence 9.55 A. M., Marion 10.55 A. M., Chadbourn 11.41 A. M., Lake Waccamaw 12.12 P. M.

EAST BOUND.

DAILY 7.25 P. M. No. 52—Passenger—Leave Sanford 3.05 P. M., arrive Fayetteville 4.30 P. M., leave Fayetteville 4.50 P. M.

†Daily except Sunday.

Bennettsville Branch—Train leaves Bennettsville 8.05 A. M. Maxton 9.15 A. M., Red Springs 9.51 A. M., Hope Mills 10.15 A. M., arrive Fayetteville 11.10 A. M. Returning leaves Fayetteville 4.45 P. M., Hope Mills 5.00 P. M., Red Springs 5.43 P. M., Maxton 6.12 P. M., arrives Bennettsville 7.15 P. M.

Connections at Fayetteville with No. 78, at Maxton with the Carolina Central Railroad, at Red Springs with the Red Springs and Bowmore Railroad, at Sanford with the Seaboard Air Line and Southern Railway, at Gulf with the Durham and Charlotte Railroad.

Train between Rocky Mount and Richmond leaves Rocky Mount 7.15 A. M., arrive Weldon 8.17 A. M., arrive Petersburg 10 18 A. M., arrives Richmond 11.10 A. M.

Trains on the Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 3.55 P. M., Halifax 4.17 P. M.; arrive Scotland Neck 5.08 P. M., Greenville 6.37 P. M., Kinston 7.56 P. M. Returning, leaves Kinston 7.56 A. M., Greenville 8.53 A. M.; arrives Halifax at 11.18 A. m., Weldon 11.33 A. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8.10 A. M. and 3.30 P. M.; arrive Parmele 9.10 A. M. and 4.00 P. M.; returning leaves Parmele 9.35 A. M. and 6.30 P. M.; arrives Washington 11 00 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 3.30 P. M.; Sunday, 4.15 P. M.; arrives Plymouth 7.40 P. M. and 6.10 P. M. Returning, leaves Plymouth daily except Sunday, 7.00 A. M. and Sunday 9.00 A. M.; arrive Tarboro 10.10 A. M. and 11.00 A. M.

Trains leave Goldsboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 5.00 A. M.; arrives Smithfield, N. C., 6.10 A. M. Returning leaves Smithfield 7.00 A. M.; arrives Goldsboro 8.35 A. M.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 9.30 A. M., 2.40 P. M.; arrives Nashville 10.30 A. M., 4.08 P. M., Spring Hope 11.00 A. M., 4.25 P. M. Returning, leaves Spring Hope 11.30 A. M., 4.55 P. M., Nashville 11.45 A. M., 5.35 P. M., arrives at Rocky Mount 12.10 A. M., 6.00 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leaves Warsaw for Clinton, daily, except Sunday, 11.40 A. M. and 4.25 P. M. Returning, leaves Clinton 6.45 A. M. and 2.50 P. M.

Train leaves Pee Dee 10.13 A. M., arrive Latta 10.31 A. M., Dillon 10.43 A. M., Rowland 10.58 A. M. Returning, leaves Rowland 5.06 P. M.; arrives Dillon 5.22 P. M., Latta 5.42 P. M., Pee Dee 7.06 P. M., daily.

Trains on Conway Branch leave Boardman at 3.00 P. M., Chadbourn 5.35 P. M.; arrive Conway 7.40 P. M.; leave Conway 8.15 A. M., Chadbourn 11.56 A. M.; arrive Boardman 12.30 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Sumter 5.35 P. M., Manning 6.04 P. M.; arrive Lane's 6.43 P. M.; leave Lane's 8.34 A. M., Manning 9.09 A. M.; arrive Sumter 9.40 A. M. Daily.

Georgetown and Western Railroad leave Lane's 8.40 A. M., †7.40 P. M.; arrive Georgetown 12.00 M., 5.00 P. M.; leave Georgetown 6.30 A. M., †4.15 P. M.; arrive Lane's 9.00 A. M., †5.35 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Florence daily except Sunday at 9.50 A. M.; arrive Darlington 10.15 A. M. Returning leave Darlington 10.25 A. M., arrive Florence 10.50 A. M.

Leave Florence daily except Sunday at 4.30 P. M.; arrive Darlington 4.55 P. M. Returning leave Darlington 5.05 P. M., arrive Florence 5.30 P. M.

Leave Florence daily except Sunday at 7.00 P. M.; arrive Darlington 7.25 P. M. Returning leave Darlington

The Morning Star.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

TUESDAY MORNING, DEC. 6.

WAR REVENUE REDUCTION.

Estimated at $40,000,348--The Chief Items Are the Stamp Taxes—The List Given in Detail.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, December 5.—Chairman Payne, of the Ways and Means Committee, to day introduced the bill reducing the taxation under the war revenue act, after the Republican members of the committee had agreed on the form of a measure and the articles to receive the reduction of tax. The bill provides an aggregate reduction estimated at $40,000,348.

The chief items of this reduction are the stamp taxes, amounting to $32,000,000; beer, $9,832,712; cigars, $3,189,284; proprietary articles, omitting wines, $3 948 283.

The estimated reductions in detail, as given out by Mr. Payne, are as follows: Beer, $9,832,712; cigars, $3,189,284; special taxes (section 2), commercial brokers, $138,381; custom house brokers, $3,167; circus $11,744; theatres, $47,178; exhibitions, not otherwise provided for, $84,218. Total special tax, $387.589.

Schedule A—Bank checks, $7,000,000; certificates of deposit, $200,000; drafts, inland, $500,000; promissory notes, $3,500,000; postal orders, $502,000; foreign bills of exchange, $100,000; export bills of lading, $100,000; express receipts, $1,200,000; telephone messages, $315,000; bonds of indemnity, $250,000; certificates other than of profits, $200,000; charter party, $100,000; brokers' contracts, $100,000; conveyances, $3.000,000, telegraph dispatches, $800,000; insurance, $3,000,000; leases, $200.000; mortgages, $500,000; passage tickets, $200,000; power of attorney, etc., $100,000; protests, $5,000; warehouse receipts, $250,000. Total schedule A, $22,242,000.

Schedule B, $4 548,283—less wines, $600,000—3.948 283; legacies, charitable, etc., $500,000. Grand total, $40,000,348.

The bill provides for redeeming revenue stamps heretofore issued and unused.

The concluding section provides that the act shall take effect thirty days after its passage.

EXPENSES OF GOVERNMENT.

Estimates for the Coming Year Aggregate $626,741,762—A Decrease from Last Year's Estimates.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, December 5.—The Secretary of the Treasury to-day sent to Congress the annual estimates of the expenses of the government for the coming year. They aggregate $636,741,762. This is a slight decrease from the total estimates of last year. The appropriations for the present year are $586,655 352. The estimates cover every branch of the government service, and by departments are as follows:

Legislative, $10,956,700; executive, $383,400; state department, $2,125,148; treasury department, $158,869,136; war department, 176,658,345; navy department, $88.913,248; interior department, $170 799 705; postoffice department, $6 295.877; department of agriculture, $4,669,050; department of labor. $177,980; department of justice, $6,993,170.

The details of the war and navy estimates, including rivers and harbors have been published. The public building estimates include Baltimore, Md., custom house $500,000; New York custom house $500,000, and Tampa, Fla., court house, postoffice and custom house, $100,000. Marine hospital at Honolulu $200,000. The total for rivers and harbors including continued contracts is $33,881,317.

The total for pensions is $144,000,000; for fees and examinations $700,000, and for pension agencies $545,230. New consuls are estimated for as follows: Nu Chuang and Hang Chow, $3 000 each; Port Limon, Costa Rica, $2,000; Moscow, $2,000; Manzanillo, Cuba, $1,500. For Indian affairs, $9,350,571.

BUCKET-SHOP BROKERS.

New York Wall Street Firm Arrested for Swindling Its Patrons.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, December 5.—As the result of investigations made by Assistant District Attorney Byrne, C. W. Morgan, trading as C. W. Morgan & Co., stock brokers, and Morgan's bookkeeper, Michael Hart, were today arrested on the charge of conspiracy and grand larceny. The men were locked up in police headquarters.

The detectives confiscated all the books and papers in the office of Morgan and in the offices of L. E. Van Riper and John B. McKenzie, discretionary brokers. Van Riper and McKenzie had left their offices. It was found that written matter in the books of Van Riper and McKenzie had been torn out, leading the police to suppose that they had been informed of their coming.

Assistant District Attorney Byrne says that the strongest point against the brokers is the fact that in their advices sent out to men who sent money to Morgan some were told conditions were favorable and that others were told the same days that conditions were unfavorable on the same stocks.

Mr. Byrne says that while Morgan, who was a member of the Consolidated Stock Exchange, and undoubtedly made some transactions which are in the records, made other transactions which counterbalanced the ones he made for the benefit of his customers.

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Hon. William Wirt Henry, grandson of Patrick Henry, and a distinguished member of the Virginia bar, died yesterday in Richmond.

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SHIP SUBSIDY BILL IN THE SENATE.

Senator Frye Concluded His Speech in Explanation of the Measure.

COST $9,000,000 PER YEAR.

House Devoted the Day to Debate on the Army Reorganization Bill—Measure Vigorously Opposed by Democrats and McCall, Rep.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, December 5.—Senator Frye, at to-day's session of the Senate, concluded his speech upon the Ship Subsidy bill. He devoted his attention principally to a technical explanation of the various provisions of the measure, explaining with special care that provision which would admit to American registry foreign built ships, upon which much of the forthcoming debate will rest.

Mr. Berry (Arkansas) presented the credentials of Samuel E. McEnery, elected a Senator from Louisiana for a term of six years from March 4th, 1903. Mr. Enery then himself presented the credentials of Murphy J. Foster, elected a Senator from Louisiana for six years beginning March 4th, 1901. Both sets of credentials were filed.

A resolution introduced by Mr. Pettigrew, calling for information as to the postal frauds in Cuba, was referred to the committee on relations with Cuba.

The Senate then, at 12 25, on motion of Senator Lodge, went into executive session.

At 2 o'clock the Senate resumed its legislative session. The House bill for the celebration of the establishment of the seat of national government in the city of Washington was passed without discussion.

Nine Millions Per Year.

Consideration of the Ship Subsidy bill was then resumed, Mr. Frye (Maine) took the floor. Senator Frye said the amount of the subsidy could be no more than $9,000,000 per year. That limit, he said, was fixed definitely in the bill. "So far as the cost to the government is concerned," he added, "it will be really no more than $7,500,000, as the subsidized ships are required to carry the United States mails free of cost to the government. The amount paid now for the carrying of these foreign mails is about $1,500,000 a year."

Remarkable statements had been made, he said, concerning the subsidy cost. "But," said he, "there is no method whatever in the madness of the critics of the bill." The limit of nine millions in the subsidy would not be reached for at least five years, as within that period there would not be enough vessels to draw the full amount of the subsidy. When that limit is reached the secretary of the treasury is to reduce the amount of the subsidy paid for sailing and speed premiums—the reduction to be pro rata among the ships subsidized. Thus all vessels enjoying the subsidy would be on precisely the same plane and would receive perfectly impartial treatment.

All Ships to Take Freight.

Referring to a provision of the pending bill requiring all ships to take freight up to a certain per centage of their carrying capacity, Senator Frye said it would prevent vessels like the American liner, St. Louis, from participating in the benefits of the act. He announced, therefore, that to morrow he would propose to the committee on commerce an amendment providing that all ships shall take on freight to an amount equal to fifty per cent. of their carrying capacity when leaving a port of the United States for a foreign port. That would so distribute the products to be carried as to do no injustice to anybody.

Foreign Built Ships.

Discussing that provision of the bill which enables foreign built ships to be brought under the American flag and to enjoy a portion of the proposed subsidy under certain restrictions, Mr. Frye said it had been asserted that 500,000 tons of foreign vessels would come in at once under the provision as it now stands. He said it was his purpose to offer a substitute for the present provision, so that it could be determined definitely just how many foreign vessels would be admitted to American registry.

Mr. Hale said he had received a strong protest against this provision of the measure, signed by forty or fifty shipbuilders, in the course of which the statement was made that already parties are engaged in foreign ship yards in the construction of vessels which were to participate in the proposed subsidy. "It is said," added Senator Hale, "that the bounty for foreign built ships will amount to more than three million dollars a year."

Senator Frye said the statement was not true. "Under the provisions of the pending bill," said he, "owners of foreign built ships cannot draw a cent of bounty until they construct in the shipyards of this country an amount of tonnage equal to that which they have brought from abroad." He believed a provision for the admission of foreign built ships under proper restrictions was wise, because it would insure to the United States a respectable fleet of merchant vessels within a reasonable time.

Senator Frye said that he always had contended against the doctrine of free ships, but when a previous subsidy bill upon which he had worked had proved to be a dead failure in Congress, he had agreed to a proposition to admit to American registry the New York and Paris, of the American Line, with the agreement that two ships of corresponding size and speed should be built in this country. That had insured to the United States a strictly American line of ships to Europe. The success of that venture had induced him to insert in the pending measure the provision for the admission of a certain fixed number of foreign-built vessels to American registry under similar restrictions. He did not believe that another ship would be admitted to American registry except those specifically provided for in the pending measure.

At 3:45 P. M. the Senate held a brief executive session and then adjourned.

Among the bills introduced in the Senate to-day were the following:

By Senator Pritchard, the bills prepared by the commission appointed by the President providing revisions of the patent and trademark laws.

By Senator Hale, to revive the grade of vice admiral in the navy.

House of Representatives.

The House devoted the day to the Army Reorganization bill, which was brought up under a special order adopted at the opening of the session, which limited general debate to two hours on a side. Lieutenant General Miles and a number of army officers were interested spectators throughout the day. Only two Republicans participated in the general debate, Chairman Hill, of the Military Committee, who was in charge of the bill, and Mr. Parker, of New Jersey, who is a member of the Military Committee. Messrs. Cochrane of Missouri, Kleberg of Texas, McClellan of New York, Shafroth of Colorado, Cummings of New York and Cox of Tennessee, Democrats, spoke briefly against the bill and a large standing army. Mr. McCall of Massachusetts, Republican, then caused the only enthusiasm of the day against the measure. Several times during the last session, notably on the Porto Rican Tariff bill, he refused to follow his party. To-day he attacked the whole Philippine policy of the administration. He also criticised technically several features of the bill, especially that lodging in the President the discretion to expand or reduce the size of the army at will. He declared that the United States should immediately give the Filipino people honorable assurance that they should have a government of their own. Mr. Hull declared that until Congress acted to the contrary, we must assert and enforce our sovereignty over the Philippines or disgrace ourselves before the world. Eleven of the twenty six pages of the bill were disposed of before adjournment. To morrow the Grout oleomargerine bill under a special order made at the last session will displace the army bill, which will go over until Friday.

When the House met the special order for the consideration of the Army bill was presented.

Mr. Richardson, of Tennessee, on behalf of the minority, said those on his side of the House recognized the necessity for some legislation, but they did not agree that this bill, establishing a permanent standing army, should become a law. If an emergency exists an emergency should be provided for; a large standing army should not be established. One obnoxious feature was fundamental. It was proposed to provide an army which could be expanded at the will of one man from 58,000 to 100,000. No matter how good or able that man might be, he was not willing to see one man given such power. It was, in his opinion, abdicating the functions of Congress.

Mr. Underwood, of Alabama, also inveighed against clothing the President with discretionary power to expand or contract the army at will.

Mr. Grosvenor, of Ohio, in support of the resolution, said that personally he was in favor of a standing army of 100,000 men. The people, he said, were not alarmed by the cries that their liberty was to be subverted.

Mr. Grosvenor and Mr. Underwood indulged in some sharp cross-firing, after which the resolution was adopted without division. Mr. Hull suggested that the Oleomargarine bill, a special order for to morrow, be postponed until the Army bill was disposed of. Mr. Underwood, Alabama, objected.

The House then went into Committee of the Whole and took up the Army bill. Mr. Hull explained the details of the bill, which he said followed practically the scheme already twice endorsed by the House. The main objection to the organization proposed was the alleged preponderating influence of the cavalry. This, he said, was necessary because of the effectiveness of cavalry in operations in the Philippines. Mr. Hull ridiculed the charges made during the recent campaign by the opposition to the effect that the Republican party desired to foist upon the country a great standing army. In replying to Mr. Hepburn, of Iowa, Mr. Hull said that to appoint volunteer officers to the grade of major would do a great injustice to the regular army officers who have served twenty or twenty-five years in the army.

Mr. Cochran, Missouri, who followed Mr. Hull, introduced the political phase of the question. He charged that the avowed purpose of the administration to use an army of 60,000 to enforce its mandates in the Philippines was the very essence of imperialism. No army that marched on the face of the earth could accomplish the subjection of the Philippines. The geographical position made them practically independent of outside control.

Mr. Kleberg, Texas, announced his unalterable opposition to an increase of the standing army. Its only use could be the establishment of a military government in the Philippines and he appealed to his colleagues to stand unflinchingly against the subversion of the constitution.

Mr. Shafroth, Colorado, offered some figures to show that the retention of the Philippines, for which this proposed large increase in the standing army was to be made, must prove a disastrous investment. He stated that it would cost the people of the United States $60,000,000 a year to earn $135,000 for American manufacturers and exporters.

The sensation of the day occurred when Mr. Shafroth took his seat. Mr. Hull, in charge of the time of the Republican side, stated that no one on his side desired to speak further. Thereupon Mr. Sulzer, who had charge at the time on the Democratic side, yielded an hour to Mr. McCall, Republican, Massachusetts. This was the first intimation the House had that the Massachusetts member was to oppose the bill.

Mr. McCall declared that he did not believe in the principle of giving the Executive discretion of multiplying almost by two the regular army, although President McKinley would doubtless exercise that discretion patriotically and wisely. The objection was one of principle. Such a grant of power could not be paralleled in the constitutional monarchies. It was not conferred with any limitation as to time. The government should have declared at the outset a policy in the Philippines similar to that declared in Cuba. Our system of government was manifestly unfit for a colonial policy, and that proposition had been so frequently discussed that he would consider the practical question whether it was for our interest to remain in the Philippines. There was no community of interest between the people of those islands and the United States, and they were almost as far as the poles asunder. No advocate of retaining the Philippines had been daring enough to maintain that they should be a part of our political system. In fact, the great argument in favor of the principle of the Porto Rico tariff was that if we could not apply that principle to Porto Rico we could not retain the Philippines.

Upon what theory, he asked, are we to remain in that country.

The French army costs $125,000,000 a year, the German $130,000,000, the British $100,000,000, and the Russian $153,000,000. These figures include pensions and fortifications. If this bill passes, the War Department will need $113,000,000. There is another cost not included in these figures, which is a necessary incident to an army and as much a part of its cost as the pay of the soldiers. That is the pension system. We are appropriating for that purpose $145,000,000 a year. Our total charges, therefore, for military purposes are $260,000,000 per year, an amount greater than the joint military expenses of those armed rivals—France and Germany.

In conclusion Mr. McCall pleaded that in dealing with the Philippines we pursue the American precedents and said:

"The time has come when we can frankly declare our purposes. Let us give those people those assurances which our history inspires. Let us tell them that we will aid them for one year or for five if need be in setting up a government of their own, symbolized by their own flag, and we will leave with them all that is most glorious in the meaning of another flag, liberty, independence and self-government."

When Mr. McCall finished the Democrats applauded him vigorously.

General debate was then closed and the bill was read for amendment under the five minute rule.

The paragraphs authorizing the Secretary of War to prescribe regulations as to the fitness of volunteers or civilians appointed to the regular army under the terms of the bill were stricken out.

Mr. Hepburn offered the following amendment: "Provided that any vacancy in the quartermaster's department may be filled by appointment from civil life."

Mr. Hepburn made this amendment the basis of some severe criticism of the Shafter expedition before Santiago, which might have been obviated if competent men from civil life had been in charge.

Without action upon the amendment the committee rose and the House at 5.10 P. M. adjourned.

HEAVY GALES AND WRECKS ON NEW ENGLAND COAST.

More Than a Dozen Schooners Lost—The Crews of Some Perished--Bodies and Wreckage Washed Ashore.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

BOSTON, MASS., December 5.—The heavy gale which swept the New England coast last night and to-day created havoc among the large number of schooners caught off the north shore of this State and the beaches of New Hampshire and Southeastern Maine.

More than a dozen schooners were wrecked, and a large number of others were damaged and several narrowly escaped being dashed to pieces.

Serious loss of life is reported, up to early this afternoon, in the wreck of the Gloucester fishing schooner Mary A. Brown, which was wrecked off Hampton Beach, N. H., and its crew of seven men perished. At 2 A. M. life savers discovered parts of a vessel coming ashore. A patrol of the shore then began. Shortly afterward the body of a sailor was picked up and much wreckage washed in.

A schooner was reported on Scarboro beach at noon. The storm moved northwesterly. Severe gales swept over Nova Scotia this afternoon and over New Foundland to night.

The wind last night along the New England coast attained a velocity as high as seventy five miles an hour. Thick weather accompanied the blow, making last night one of the most trying for seamen that has been experienced in two years

Most of the damage in New England was that experienced by shipping. Land damage was confined to small buildings, trees, etc., and to telegraph lines. Communication with Vermont by wire was practically impossible to-day, owing to damage at several points in that State and New Hampshire.

On the New Jersey Coast.

LEWES, DEL., December 5.—The severe gale which has been prevailing along the New Jersey coast continued to-day. The dredge Potomac, valued at $40,000, bound from Alexandria, Va., in tow for Atlantic City, and which put back to the Delaware breakwater from Atlantic City because of the gale, sunk last night in seventeen feet of water. Her crew was taken aboard the tug which had been towing her.

The schooner Oliver Schofield, lumber laden, bound from Norfolk to New York, which went ashore yesterday, near Tom's River Life Saving Station, began going to pieces to day. Portions of the vessel are being washed ashore.

Storms have been sweeping over the British coasts and the ships in the channel have had rough experiences. Several minor wrecks have been reported.

The steamer Rossgull, of Plymouth, foundered off the island of Jersey. Her passengers were saved but a boat containing nine of her crew is missing.

ENTOMBED MINERS.

Fortunate Escape of Thirty-two Men Employed in a Colliery Near Scranton, Penn.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

SCRANTON, PA., December 5.—Thirty-two men employed at the Nayaug colliery, in Dunmore, were entombed by a cave-in this morning, but thanks to a simple fortunate circumstance, a terrible disaster was avoided.

The men were at work about a thousand feet from the bottom of the slope and four hundred feet below the surface, when two acres of the roof between them and the slope came down with a terrific crash, crushing the pillars beneath it and causing a rush of air that almost blew the men from their feet and hurled the roof off the fan house. Their lamps were extinguished, but the air was still pure and they relighted them The cracking of the pillars in their vicinity told them that the cave in was extending towards them and that they must soon find a way out or be killed like rats in a trap.

The foreman, crawling on hands and knees over the fallen roof and sometimes through crevices that barely admitted his body, made his way to within fifteen feet of the airway which led to the second opening and which it was presumed was not affected by the fall, as it is a narrow passage cut through solid rock. Returning for the men, he had them take their tools and follow him. After a difficult and dangerous trip they reached the point where the fall blocked their way. This was attacked with bars, picks and shovels and after an hour's work a passage was cleared to the air-way, which, as they had counted upon, was open. As fast as they could run they made their way to the second opening and thence to the surface, where they were greeted with wild hurrahs from the thousands who had gathered, expecting to see them brought out crushed and mangled corpses if they were brought out at all.

VIRGINIA'S ELECTION LAW.

Senator Daniel Drafting a Provision to Effect Negro Disfranchisement.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

RICHMOND, VA., December 5.—Much interest is shown in the negro disfranchisement question in this State which is to come before the Constitutional Convention. U. S. Senator Daniel is drafting a provision, which, it is believed, will stand the test in the court of last resort better than the "grandfather" clause of Louisiana and North Carolina. Senator Daniel's proposition is to exempt from the illiteracy clause all persons from Virginia who served in any war.

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MINISTERS REACH AN AGREEMENT.

Views of the United States Government Reported to Have Prevailed

ON TWO IMPORTANT ISSUES.

Punishments to Be the Severest That Can Be Inflicted by Chinese Government--Adjustment of Indemnity to Be Settled Later.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.—The State Department has been informed that the foreign ministers at Pekin reached an agreement, which was submitted to the home office and Secretary Hay to-day cabled Mr. Conger authorization to sign the agreement on behalf of the United States government. It is difficult to gather details of the understanding at this time. However, it is known that in the two important issues that were still open, namely, those relating to punishments and indemnity, the views of the United States government have prevailed. As to punishments, they are to be the severest that can be inflicted by the Chinese government. As to indemnity, the Chinese government is to formally admit its liability and then the matter is to be left for future negotiation. It was understood that on the other points, the French proposition has formed the basis of the agreement.

Chinese Troops.

BERLIN, December 5.—A dispatch from Field Marshal von Waldersee, dated Pekin, Tuesday, December 4th, says strong detachments of Chinese regulars, under General Ma, are reported from Shan Si to be holding the mountain passes on the frontier of Chi Li.

An explosion at Pao Ting Fu during the clearing out of a powder magazine, killed one man and wounded Lieutenant Wolfgram and four others.

Chinese Leaders Executed.

BERLIN, December 5.—The Chinese minister here has handed to foreign office officials a telegram from Li Hung Chang, to the effect that Sih Liang, the new governor of Shan Si, has publicly executed upwards of eighty rebel leaders and asserting that he is otherwise acting with the greatest severity in the suppression of the Boxers and energetically protecting the missionaries.

A STREET DUEL.

Rev. Jno. H. Wohl Shot and Killed by Hon. S. D. Stokes at Williamson, W. Va.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WILLIAMSON, W. VA., December 5.—This afternoon Hon. S. D. Stokes shot and instantly killed Rev. Jno. W. Wohl in a street duel here, Mr. Stokes being also dangerously injured. To night, in the whole town and even in the country districts, the excitement is intense. Mr. Stokes, one of the most prominent young lawyers in Mingo county, left his office this afternoon, immediately after dinner, and pleasantly greeting friends on the way walked with quick and firm steps in the direction of the house occupied by Rev. Mr. Wohl and his house-keeper, Mrs. Levine, Mrs. Wohl being in Kentucky. Mr. Stokes stopped at the gate to talk with Mrs. Levine, who stood in her doorway. Within a few minutes the minister came out of the house. He seemed to be excited about something and said to Mrs. Levine as he passed her at the door: "You would be much better, at present, in the house."

She laughingly replied that the day was far too pretty to be spent entirely within doors, and Mr. Stokes interrupted by remarking "yes; don't think of leaving us for the house."

Quick as a flash Mr. Whol turned and addressing Stokes said, "leave the premises."

An altercation followed. Both men ran to the sidewalk directly in front of the house. Something was said, almost indistinguishable, that drew from Rev. Wohl a sharp retort.

"You are a liar!" and in an instant the report of a revolver was heard. Stokes stumbled and tried to regain his footing, but fell in the street. Wounded as he was, he drew his pistol and covered the minister, now within ten feet of his fallen foe. Again Wohl fired, and simultaneously with that shot, the pistol in the sinking hand of Stokes spoke. When the smoke cleared away two men lay in their own blood upon the sidewalk. A crowd ran to the place. Rev. Wohl was dead. Chance had carried the bullet from Stokes' pistol through the head of the minister, killing him as he fell. A bullet had entered Stokes' side below the heart and passed entirely through his body.

In the hall of the minister's home, facing the fearful duel to the death, fallen across the doorway, was found Mrs. Levine. It was at first thought she was dead and had probably been shot, but an investigation showed that she had only fainted from fright.

Up to a late hour this evening Mr. Stokes has refused to say anything concerning the terrible tragedy, and Mrs. Levine is in too much of a state of excitement to talk.

Rev. Wohl was recognized as one of the most forceful and eloquent of Presbyterian ministers of this State. Mr. Stokes is an ex-Virginia University president and comes from one of the best families of the Old Dominion.

A TWO HOURS FIGHT.

Sixteen Filipinos Killed by American Force of Native Scouts.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

MANILA, Dec. 5.—A dispatch has been received from General Funston giving an account of a two hours' fight in the woods of Santo Domingo between an American force and three hundred rebels commanded by Sandico. The American force, consisting of thirty native scouts, commanded by Lieutenant Jornigan, attacked the rebels who retreated, leaving on the field sixteen men killed, including the rebel leader Aguilar and an American negro. It was at first thought the latter was a man named Fagin, a deserter from the 24th infantry, but this turned out to be a mistake. Not one of Jornigan's men was wounded.

An engine on the Grand Trunk railway near Inglewood, Ont., crashed into a hand car on which were five section men going to their work. All of them were killed instantly.

Hon. Charles A. Towne, of Duluth, Minn., it is said, has been offered and has accepted the appointment as U. S. Senator to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Senator C. K. Davis.

NEW PARTY MOVEMENT.

Populists in the Lead—Call for a Conference Wm J. Bryan in Sympathy With the Movement.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., December 5.—Charles M. Walter, secretary of the middle-of-the-road Populists' State Committee, has issued a call for a conference to be held here December 22. He says this conference will be the first step in the formation of a new national party to embrace all of the reform elements.

"This city," said he, "will be the cradle of a new national party that will embrace the social Democrats, silver Republicans and reform Democrats and will pull largely from the Prohibition party. Jo. Parker, national chairman, and many of the most prominent leaders of the Populist party will attend. We expect that in 1904 our party will be the numerical strength in the country. We expect that in the West it will absorb the Democratic party. I know personally from men close to W. J. Bryan that he is in sympathy with the movement. The names suggested for the new party are 'Federate', 'American' and 'Federal'."

KRUGER IN COLOGNE.

Cheered Enthusiastically by the People Will Leave To-day for Holland.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

COLOGNE, December 5.—Mr. Kruger walked to-day in the rain from his hotel to the cathedral. He was cheered enthusiastically by an assemblage of people who had long waited to see him. Mr. Kruger repeatedly raised his hat in acknowledgement of the cheering. He departs at 10 A. M. to-morrow in a special train connecting with the Dutch Express at Zevonar.

WARM WIRELETS.

The Bulgarian cabinet has resigned, owing to ministerial differences.

Representative Kitchin, of North Carolina, has introduced in the House a resolution for a constitutional amendment to repeal the fifteenth amendment to the constitution.

In an altercation in the Holstein woollen mills at Salem, Va., yesterday, J. P. Booth, the shipping clerk, aged 22, was stabbed and killed by George Cunib, aged 16. The connections of both are well known people.

Ex-Governor O'Ferrall, of Virginia and Mayor J. Taylor Ellerson, of Richmond, are in Washington to urge congressional action on the project to deepen James river from Richmond so as to permit vessels of 24-foot draught to get to the city at high tide.

The cotton crop of Central Asia is expected to be excellent this year, according to Vice Consul Smith, at Moscow. This year's crop is expected to aggregate between seven and eight thousand poods, or enough to meet half of the general demand. The remaining cotton required for manufacturing purposes in Russia will have to be imported.

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